

EDITORIALS

Eisenhower Day

Fear of apathy, among Republicans and thousands of Independents and Democrats for Eisenhower, has prompted an ambitious "Eisenhower Day" May 15 in Southern California. On that day Californians are being asked to show their appreciation for the President with coffee hours and other neighborhood gatherings where fact sheets will be distributed and plans made for the primary election on June 5.

The Citizens for Eisenhower Committee has expressed fear that too many people are possessed of the opinion that re-election of the President will be easy and that such apathy can lead to tragic results at the polls. The committee plans one of the most ambitious and thorough canvasses in history, relying on the record of the Eisenhower administration for its appeal.

It is our opinion that the record of President Eisenhower during three years in office is such that his re-election goes beyond partisan politics. Certainly the country is enjoying peace-time prosperity unequalled in history, social security has been expanded, and the lot of the average individual has been improved.

A Doomed Area

The new Civil Defense slogan for the sprawling Los Angeles basin is "Get Out or Die."

That's a pretty blunt way of saying that the area cannot be protected adequately against an enemy attack and those persons unfortunate enough to be here, in the event of such an attack are doomed.

This announcement by top echelon leaders of the Southland's Civil Defense system has a particularly horrible significance for residents of Torrance and its neighboring cities. In the event of an all-out exodus, the thousands of residents of the southwest area would be the last ones to get out of the basin.

Imagine, if you can, just the residents of Torrance trying to get across one of the few bridges spanning the Los Angeles and the San Gabriel Rivers down here! Residents could go across the Belhart, Del Amo, or Rosecrans bridges, and may be able to make it in the four-hour deadline given—if all the other hundreds of thousands of residents needing to use those limited facilities would stand back and let them go.

Such announcements as the one made last week end point up graphically the terrible inadequacies in east-west roads in this part of the county. There are no through streets between Rosecrans and Pacific Coast Hwy. for east-west traffic.

If those responsible for the defense of the Southland believe the city may have to be evacuated at some future date in a matter of hours, they had better start building some roads.

A lot of us won't make it, otherwise.

CANCER'S 7 DANGER SIGNALS

- 1 Any sore that does not heal
- 2 A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere
- 3 Unusual bleeding or discharge
- 4 Any change in a wart or mole
- 5 Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing
- 6 Persistent hoarseness or cough
- 7 Any change in normal bowel habits

None of these symptoms necessarily means that you have cancer but any one of them should send you to your doctor. Cancer is usually curable when detected and treated early. REMEMBER THE DANGER SIGNALS.

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DON'T BE LEFT OUT!



Wanna Buy A Statue?



THE FREELANCER

By TOM RISCHIE

This is the time of year when the sap starts rising in everybody and everything. It's spring.

Everybody of every age gets a little wacky, reciting poetry, falling in love, or otherwise communing with the beauties of a newly-rejuvenated world.

For the youngsters, it's a time to play ball, fly kites, and pull each other's hair. For the teenagers and young adults, it's a time to romance and fall in love.

For the slightly older person, it's a time to scrape the rust off the garden tools and start cultivating the roses or petunias again. Women begin throwing out a lot of the stuff they have saved all winter.

For the old people, it's a time to enjoy the sights and balmy breezes from a front porch vantage point.

For everybody, it's a time for sight-seeing from the family automobile, if anything can be seen except other Sunday drivers. For the birds and bees, it's a time to make plans for the future, building nests and gathering honey.

It's a time when everybody gets a little more ambitious than usual and starts doing things he's been putting off all winter. Californians, however, miss the pleasure in spring that other parts of the nation enjoy. For the residents of Maine, Nebraska, or Montana, spring is like stepping from an icebox into a warm room. It feels

so good. It is a change from white to green. It is a renewal of all life.

In California, spring brings less changes.

Poets grow ecstatic in the springtime, singing of the beauty of the season and the delights of love.

Tennyson was well aware of these when he wrote his famous poem, "Locksley Hall," containing these immortal lines.

"In the Spring, a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."

He was, however, not oblivious to the long winter which lay ahead as he penned the rest of his poem, which is less often quoted:

"He will hold thee, when his passion shall have spent its novel force, 'Something better than his dog, a little dearer than his horse."

Hepatitis Infections Cause Official Worry

By ROY O. GILBERT, M.D., L. A. County Health Officer

For several years the number of cases of infectious and serum hepatitis reported in Los Angeles County has tended to remain above the average. Thus far in 1956, 356 cases have been reported whereas at this time last year but 150 were recorded. The matter is one of concern to public health officials since the disease is usually more prevalent in areas or institutions where sanitary living conditions are poor and, from these places, the infection spreads elsewhere in the County.

Infectious hepatitis is basically an infection of the liver and is caused by a virus. Also called epidemic hepatitis, epidemic jaundice, or catarrhal jaundice, the disease is most common among young people, the largest incidence occurring between 10 and 14 years of age.

Symptoms of the disorder may appear anywhere from 15 to 35 days after the person is infected, and this allows considerable time for the disease to spread to others before symptoms occur in the individual. Most typical are the digestive disturbances which may include loss of appetite, nausea with or without vomiting, diarrhea, and pain in the upper right abdomen where the liver is located. A low fever, weakness, and headache may also be present.

More severe cases of this disorder are accompanied by jaundice (icterus) giving a yellow color to the skin and the whites of the eyes. When so severe, illness usually lasts for several weeks or months and on rare occasions may cause death.

Ordinarily, however, the illness caused by infectious hepatitis is mild in nature. Like polio, another virus disease, a person may harbor the infection or have a mild attack without knowing it. Such individuals, without any signs of illness whatsoever, may nevertheless be carriers of the virus and so infect those persons with whom they come in contact.

In Los Angeles County the disease is chiefly transmitted by close association of an infected person with others. The virus is present in the intestinal contents of the infected

person and perhaps also in discharges from the nose and mouth. Through excreta or contaminated hands the germs are generally transferred to food and water.

Strict personal cleanliness and good environmental sanitation are the best means of preventing this disorder. Since infectious hepatitis can pass so easily from one person to another, such measures are absolutely necessary if the spread is to be restricted.

Gamma globulin, the blood derivative used in combating measles and paratyphoid, is apparently the one substance now in use that can prevent the disease. If called soon enough when the disorder makes an appearance, the physician can therefore probably prevent the occurrence of the disease in the rest of the family by prompt preventive treatment. As in polio and measles, gamma globulin is effective only if given before symptoms appear.

During and following an attack, bodily exertion has a most adverse effect on a sick or convalescent liver so, following a bout of infectious hepatitis, plenty of rest is in order if permanent damage to this vital organ is to be avoided. The liver has wonderful recuperative powers, however, and when reasonable and early care is taken the sequel of infectious hepatitis is usually "complete recovery."



"A woman who has learned to forgive and forget is apt to keep reminding you of it." —Art Moger.

"He was nervous as a long-tailed cat in a roomful of rocking chairs." —Tennessee Ernie.

"The soundest sleepers of all are the owners of barking dogs." —Stan Parkman.

"A degree ought to be required of all automobile drivers—a degree of caution!" —J. W. Berry.



RED CROSS AID... Two checks for the Red Cross are received by Jessie Holland, staff representative of the organization. On the left is Scott Albright, presenting the National Supply Co. check for \$1250 while Pat Calderon, on the right, president of the National Employees Club, is presenting her with a check for \$1000 from his group.

Barney's Blarney

By BARNEY GLAZER

Folks! The economic trend is actually changing! You can now buy with money. No credit is needed.

Grandfather Globber says his long marriage is due to harmony. "I give in all the time," says Globber.

My Grandma Bobbie will never forget the time she received a wedding gift 10 years after her marriage. "The card inside the box," reminisces Bobbie, "said: 'Here is our belated wedding gift—better belated than never!'"

Injustice—that's where a man named BEN gets an auto license plate with the letters JOE.

There was once a carpenter foreman who hired an apprentice. "Young man," said the foreman, "here are your first instructions. I'll do this 2x4 under that big spike. Pick up your hammer and when I nod my head you hit it." The young apprentice did exactly as he was told and now he's the carpenter foreman.

"Did you ever see a dog's expression on a wet day?" asked my good friend Farrandale. "He looks as if you're blaming him for the rain."

Schoolground conversation—Little girl: "Who are you?" Second little girl: "Me." First little girl: "Oh, excuse me. I

thought you were somebody else."

Hamburger Hackle just bought a brand new 1956 Cadillac Eldorado because the Cadillac garage is the closest one to his house.

My old classmate, Philbrook complains: "Most of the working girls I meet are working me."

Deemo, the freelance stamp collector, told me: "I was looking at those new typewriters today in honey beige, white sand, misty green, lime light, etc., wonder," asks a perplexed Deemo, "what ever became of plain old blue, green, brown and red?"

My good neighbor Farrandale took me for a short ride in his brand new Ford. Squeezing in between one of those huge thundering oil trucks and a concrete wall, Farrandale noticed my white face and bobbing Adam's apple and quickly hastened to assure me: "Don't look so worried, I like long thin Fords."

Pinty Pim was having an argument with his schoolmate. "You did it in a pig's eye!" shouted Pinty Pim. "I did not!" howled his tiny friend. "I never was in any old pig's eye."

Ballot Box Stuff was stopped by a panhandler with a new approach. "Mister," pleaded the bum, "can you spare 50 cents? I'm trying to work my way across Wilshire Blvd."

My old Latin teacher, Mr. Flogger, somewhat ruefully admits: "My wife makes me so mad that sometimes I feel like knocking out her teeth, and I would, too, if I didn't have to buy her new plates."

Maestro Bimko, my French horn instructor, took me shopping to help him buy a second-hand gas range. "This stove," said the used furni-

ture salesman, "costs \$90 but we need the space for new merchandise so we'll give it to you free." Turning to me with that good old shopping instinct, Maestro Bimko asked: "Do you think I can do better at another store?"

Flaskie, the electronics genius, wails: "My car uses so much gas it drives into a gas station by itself."

Sign on the back of an ancient, wheezing truck: "Built in Africa by Apes."

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